

Representations re: Opening of Sidha Vaidya Pharmacy.

36. * MR. E. P. VARGHESE (*Ambalapuzha cum Sheria'a*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether representations have been received from the people of South Travancore for the opening of Sidha Vaidya Pharmacy, School and Hospital?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: Yes.

Memorandum from the Indian Planters' Association.

37. * MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Minachil cum Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have received a memorandum from the Indian Planters Association regarding the unrestricted import of Burma Rubber into India; and

(b) if so, whether the matter has been investigated into and what is the result thereof?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: (a) A memorandum from the Indian Planters' Association of Kerala was received.

(b) The matter has been referred to the Government of India.

State Transport Service.

38. * MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Motor Vehicles Regulation and the rules framed thereunder apply to the buses of the Transport Department;

(b) whether the said buses observe the rules regarding speed limits as indicated by caution boards; and

(c) whether any rules regarding luggage have been issued for the information of the public?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: (a) The Motor Vehicles Regulation and the Rules thereunder are generally applicable to the State Transport Buses.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes. The rules have been embodied in the Fare Table which has been published for the information of the public.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Quilon cum Kottarakara*): May I ask whether the Motor Vehicles Regulation and the rules thereunder are only *generally* applicable to the State Transport buses?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Since it is a Government concern, some of the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Regulation and rules thereunder cannot apply to the Transport buses; steps are being taken to amend the present rules.

MR. M. G. MATTHEW (*Karunagapalli cum Karthikapalli*): May I know in what respects the present rules cannot be applied to the State Transport Service?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I may cite one instance. In regard to the licensing of conductors and drivers, so far as the State Transport Service is concerned, the Government have ordered that the Transport Superintendent himself may issue the licenses. That is a deviation